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ST. ANDREW'S HALL.
CITY HALL.
A GRAND CONCERT
WILL BE GIVEN.
THIS (FRIDAY) EVENING,
the 21st November, 1884,
BY
MRS. SAUTLET,
Kindly assisted by MR. HIRST, and HER
SON, VON WILLE.
PROGRAMME:
PART I.
1.—Solo Piano-forte, "Fen." RAFF.
Solo Pianist.
MRS. G. SAUTLET.
2.—Solo: (a) "Auf Dem Rhein." R. SCHUMANN.
(b) "Widauer."
MR. HIRST.
(c) Solo Piano-forte "Lied Ohne Wort." F. LISZT.
(d) Nocturne. "Mozart." F. LISZT.
MRS. G. SAUTLET.
4.—Solo Violin "Elegie." MENDEL.
HERSON VON WILLE.
PART II.
5.—Solo Piano-forte, "Sonate." BEETHOVEN.
MRS. G. SAUTLET.

6.—Solo { (a) "Am Meer" SCHUBERT.
(b) "Frühlings Nacht" R. SCHUMANN.
MR. HIRST.

7.—Solo Violin "Barcarollo" SPOHRE.
HERR VON WILLE.

8.—{ Solo. Piano forte (a) CHOPIN.
"Valse" "As Dur"
(b) "Le Bananier" GOSCHALK.
(Negre Dance)
MORSE, G. SAUVLET.

Doors open at 8.30, to commence at 9 P.M.
A plan of the Hall may be seen and Seated.
Reserved at MAURA LANE: CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong: 15th November, 1884. [212]

FOR SHANGHAI.
THE Steamship
"NINGPO."
Captain W. Potts, will be despatched for the
above Port TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant
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HONGKONG, 30th November, 1894. 12.
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 HONGKONG, 21st November, 1894. 13
 ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE

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MAJOR-GENERAL SARGENT, C.B.
CHAIRMAN:
HON. E. L. O'MALLEY, ATTORNEY-
GENERAL.

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 having been formed in Hongkong Ladies a
 Gentleman wishing to join are requested to send
 their names in to the Hon. Secretary as soon
 as possible. Subscription, \$2 and upwards.
 The First Class for Gentlemen will

5.30 p.m., and will be continued on the 3rd
Days Every Week.
EDWARD W. KEEY, R.N.
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th November, 1884. [21]

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1888.

December last, in order that the proportion of Profit for that year to be paid as Bonus to Contributors may be arranged. Dividends not sent before the 9th November will all be made by 1st January, and any subsequent claimations will be allowed.

By Order of the Directors,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1894.

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NOTICE.

BAZAAR IN AID OF THE CHINESE

DAY, the 6th December, 1884, in the No. 1 Building, facing the Praya.
Hongkong, 17th November, 1884. [21]

INTIMATIONS.

CHINESE IMPERIAL GOVERNMENT
EIGHT PER CENT. LOAN OF 1881.

THIRD DRAWING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in conformity with the stipulations contained in the Bonds of this Loan, the following Numbers of Bonds to be paid off at Part of the Office of the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, in Hongkong on the 17th day of November, 1884, when the interest thereon will cease to be payable, were this day Drawn at the Office of the said Corporation in Hongkong, in the presence of Mr. H. B. BEVIS, Acting Manager, and of the undersigned Notary.

NUMBERS OF BONDS DRAWN.

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NOTICE.

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FAMILY AND DISPENSARY.

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By Appointment to His Excellency the Governor and His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh.

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Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed to "The Editor," and those on business to "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their names and addresses with communications addressed to the Editor, so that they may be published, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

Advertisements and Subscriptions which are not paid for in advance will be continued until countermanded.

Orders for extra copies of the Daily Press should be sent before 11 a.m. on the day of publication. After that hour the supply is limited.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, NOVEMBER 21st, 1884.

THE QUESTION AS TO WHICH IS THE BEST AND MOST POSSIBLE WAY OF TAPPING THE TRADE OF WESTERN CHINA.

Great deal has been written on the subject, and the result of different explorations and investigations. Most persons in referring to the matter, seem to consider Yunnan almost exclusively, while as a matter of fact the trade of the province through, or over, percolates through, that province from Szechuen, where, trade route in connection with some port opened up, is of much greater importance.

Yunnan, though abounding in minerals, is not otherwise a rich province, and the last Mohammedan rebellion and the war of extermination against the Manchu millions, ruined the population to less than six millions.

The province is covered with the ruins of ancient villages and towns, and will take many centuries to recover anything like its former prosperity. The inhabitants themselves are, for the most part, very poor, and the towns are mean. The existing trade is consequently not large, but it could be stimulated

more of the Punjab Meteorological Register, including two native officers. The action is expected to have a beneficial effect on the country.

The Punjab Meteorological Register, which is the first of its kind in the Punjab, has been published by the Punjab Government. It contains a full and complete record of the weather in the Punjab for the year 1883. The Register is published in two parts, one for the Punjab and one for the Ferozepore District. It is a valuable work for all who are interested in the weather of the Punjab.

DESTROYING THE PORTS.

The force advanced two miles to-day. Sha Jehan and Dost Mahomed's forts, six miles on the road, were blown up by parties specially detailed for that purpose. Hunder Bagh is reported to be 30 miles and Zander three marches from here.

SATURDAY (through Dault), 30th October.

Sir O. V. Tanner, with the flying column, arrived at Sukkhi on the 27th, and blew up and burnt the forts of Sha Jehan and Dost Mahomed, his nephew. Our position is now about thirty miles from Hunder Bagh, which is the head of the Zibh Valley. There is a report brought in of a gathering of tribes in a pass just beyond the next march, and a cavalry party has been sent out to reconnoitre this pass.

MERCHANT SHIPPING.

The depression which has for some time prevailed in the shipping and shipbuilding trades is apparent in the statistics relating to the navigation and shipping of the United Kingdom for the year 1883. Although the orders for new steamers decreased at a rapid rate through the preceding quarter of the year, the average annual increase in the tonnage of the register of the United Kingdom during the ten years ended 1883 was 179,582 tons; but in 1883 the increase was 391,334 tons only. The average annual increase in the tonnage of the register of the United Kingdom during the ten years ended 1883 was 179,582 tons; but in 1883 the increase was 391,334 tons only. The average annual increase in the tonnage of the register of the United Kingdom during the ten years ended 1883 was 179,582 tons; but in 1883 the increase was 391,334 tons only.

SILK CULTURE IN THE UNITED STATES.

Among the notable American women of the present day Miss Nellie Ross has a special claim to distinction, for by her intelligence and enterprise she has been the chief agent in introducing silk culture into the United States. This girl of "eighteen" at the time she was the head of the first Philadelphia silk stock farm, which not only gives employment to every member of her family, from her grandfather of eighty-four to her brother, a small boy of seven years, but enables her to control the silkworm market of the States. Miss Ross is at present engaged in the interesting experiment of crossing the different breeds of worms, with a hope to produce a silkworm which will produce a better quality of silk than the seven native breeds, all of which, from pale pink to fawn brown, are obtained on her farm. Not satisfied with her success in rearing silkworms, the young lady has now introduced spinning-wools and looms, the practical use of which she is taught by an English silk-weaver. Miss Ross occupies much of her time as she can spare from her eggs and cocoons in writing articles on subjects connected with silk culture for the American press. Her pamphlet on the subject has already gone through five editions, and circulates at the rate of 8,000 copies a year.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

THURSDAY, 20th November.

Quotations are—

Malwa (New)...\$20 per point, all of 14 cotties.

Malwa (Old)...\$50 per point, all of 1 to 2 cotties.

Patna (New)...\$85 per chest.

Patna (Old)...\$60

Benares (New)...\$67 1/2

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Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight...3/4

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Shanghai and Shanghai Bank Shares—127 per cent premium.

Union Assurance Society of Canton, Limited—\$400 per share, ex div.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$400 per share, ex div.

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Canton Insurance Office, Limited—\$85 per share, ex div.

Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$35 per share, ex div.

China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—\$67 per share, ex div.

Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—\$3 per share, ex div.

Hongkong, Canton, and Mesopotamia Co's Shares—\$33 per share, ex div.

Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's Shares—\$30 per share, ex div.

China and Mainland Steamship Company, Limited—\$30 per share, ex div.

Douglas Steamship Company, Limited—\$30 per share, ex div.

Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—\$120 per share, ex div.

China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$104 per share, ex div.

China Sugar Refining Company (Debtors)—nominal.

Luxus Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$70 per share, ex div.

Hongkong Ice Company's Shares—\$149 per share, ex div.

Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited—\$40 per share, ex div.

Perak Tin Mining and Smelting Company—\$40 per share, ex div.

Selangor Tin Mining Company—\$20 per share, ex div.

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Hongkong Rubber Manufacturing Company, Limited—\$50 per share, ex div.

Chinese Imperial Loan of 1881—2 per cent dis.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co's Barometer.)

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leaves some years ago refused to sing with any orchestra that had not adopted the lower pitch. Unfortunately, it was impossible for a single artist, however popular, to remedy the evil in this respect. Not only that, but the greatest sufferers are the makers of such instruments as cannot be tuned after the manner of the viola or the piano-forte.

A trombone and a flute may be in perfect tune at one place, and either sharp or flat at another not many miles off, to say nothing of foreign countries, and their instruments are based accordingly. The first country to deal with the matter in a systematic way was France, where the cultivation of the arts is looked upon as a serious and important duty of the State.

Here in 1859 a pitch known as the *diapason normal* was established, and it was a quarter of a tone higher than the pitch of the classical period. It is, it is stated, followed not long afterwards, adopting a still lower standard, viz., 432 vibrations for A.

Germany, although the most musical country in the world, has hitherto been somewhat backward in getting into line with the rest. During the thirty years of its unity, it has not yet been able to elaborate a scheme of harmonious intonation. The petition above referred to recommends the adoption of the French pitch, expressing at the same time a hope that an international understanding might be brought about through the adoption of a common standard.

In Belgium, also, the subject has been lately discussed at a musical congress under the presidency of a musical States, M. Bismarck. In England little has as yet been done to remedy a confusion here confounded than anywhere else. Here we have a variety of intonation, the Philharmonic pitch, which is the highest of all, showing as many as 454 vibrations for A, or nearly half a tone above the *diapason normal*. The last-named standard has been on the other hand adopted at the Royal Italian Opera, Covent Garden. Between these extremes there is a variety of shades in use at theatres and concert rooms in London and the provinces. It may, indeed, be said, in a general way, that scarcely two pianofortes by different makers are tuned exactly alike. The Society of Arts some years ago took up the question, and after due deliberation recommended the adoption of the so-called "Stuttgart pitch," but without effect, as the makers have been slow to accept of the recommendation.

The French *diapason*, apart from being the most serviceable, is also the most generally accepted, and will be still more so if the petition of German musicians mentioned by Prince Bismarck's approval. To that end, the petitioners of intonation in the English Government, if ever it may be moved in the matter, should have without hesitation. Another question is how such a standard, if once officially adopted, could be made generally acceptable. In France it is enforced by law, but to this kind of Government interference the English Government is not inclined to resort. German musicians think it sufficient for all subscription theatres and orchestras to introduce the *diapason normal* in order to establish it everywhere. In England we have no subscription theatres, nor (with the exception of the Queen's private band) orchestras, but we have at least military bands and the forces of the law, as the Philharmonic pitch above referred to, has been fixed by the War Office. If for all of these the *diapason normal* were made obligatory, the great manufacturing firms would find it to their interest to adopt it for general use.

The London orchestra, and common sense and the obvious usefulness of the reform, might be expected to do the rest. It may be added that the entire question will be thoroughly investigated at the International Inventions and Music Exhibition to be held at the Crystal Palace next year, and that a committee, appointed for the purpose, has already been appointed for the purpose.

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